

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Attached are proposed amendments to pending claims, the specification and changes to Figure 1. Changes to Figure 1 are supported at least by paragraphs 14 and 17 of the specification.

The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned by telephone to discuss the proposed amendments.

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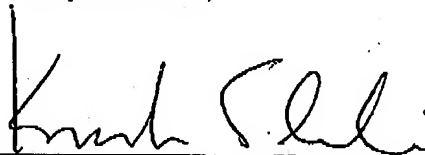


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